GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2361
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2002
BODOLAND TERRITORY
SANSUMA KHUNGGUR BWISWMUTHIARY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have contemplated to accord the National status to the Bodo Language under the 8th Schedule of the Constitution of India in response to the persistent demand made by several millions of indigenous Bodo people of the country;

(b) if so, action taken so far in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a)to(c): The tripartite peace talks involving the representative of the Central Government, Government of Assam and Bodo Liberation Tiger(BLT) are continuing to find a lasting peaceful solution to the Bodo issues, which also inter-alia includes the demand of inclusion of Bodo language in 8th schedule of the Constitution of India.